

Claims

1. A method of making a knob by steps of

(a) molding a polymeric material to provide a polymeric body, which has a boss having an end face and having a wall and which has a recess bordering the boss and having a floor, the wall adjoining the floor,

(b) stamping and drawing a metal sheet or a metal strip to provide a metal cup, which is adapted to fit over the boss, which has a plate adapted to cover the end face of the boss when the metal cup fits over the boss, and which has a skirt adapted to encompass the wall of the central boss when the metal cup fits over the central boss, the skirt being unitary with the circular plate, and

(c) fitting the metal over the boss so that the plate covers the top of the central boss, and so that the skirt encompasses the wall of the boss, and securing the metal cup to the polymeric body.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that the skirt has a unitary tab projecting from the skirt and wherein in steps (c) the unitary tab is caused to project through an associated slot in the floor.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that the unitary tab has a barbed portion, which coacts with the polymeric body in steps (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

4. The method of claim 2 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that the unitary tab has a pierced portion, which coacts with the polymeric body in steps (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

5. The method of claim 2 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that the unitary tab has a distal portion, which is bent in steps (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

6. The method of claim 1 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that the skirt has unitary tabs projecting from the cylindrical skirt and wherein in

steps (c) each unitary tab is caused to project into an associated slot in the floor.

7. The method of claim 6 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that each unitary tab has a barbed portion, which coacts with the polymeric body in step (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

5 8. The method of claim 6 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that each unitary tab has a pierced portion, which coacts with the polymeric body in steps (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

10 9. The method of claim 6 wherein the metal cup is provided in steps (b) so that each unitary tab has a distal portion, which is bent under the polymeric body in steps (c) to secure the metal cup to the polymeric body.

10. The method of any one of claims 1 through 9 wherein in steps (c) the circular plate also is secured adhesively to the circular top of the central boss.